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Sir:

This letter is in response to Office Action mailed December 3, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

- ① 1. (Amended) An electric discharge laser apparatus including a tangential fan comprising:
A) a laser chamber comprising:
1) a laser gas,
2) at least two longitudinal electrodes for producing electric discharges defining a discharge region in said gas,
3) a tangential fan for circulating said laser gas said fan defining a rotation axis and a circumference corresponding to a blade